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Mr. Philip J. Sachtleben
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Dear Mr. Sachtleben:

On behalf of the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission I am filing the Annual Report to the General Assembly regarding the status of the 211 services account established in Indiana Code 8-1-19.5-11. The 211 services account in the state general fund was established to make 211 services available throughout Indiana. The responsibility of administering this account was given to this Commission. Indiana Code 8-1-19.5-12 requires the Commission to report annually to the General Assembly regarding the status of the account.

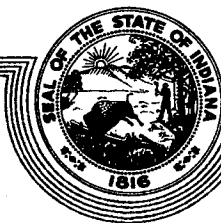
I hope this report will provide an understanding of the status of the account as well as the status of the implementation of 211 in Indiana. I and my staff are available to address any questions or concerns you may have regarding the report.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David Lott Hardy", written over a horizontal line.

David Lott Hardy
Chairman

Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission



IURC Report to the General Assembly on 211 Services Account (Filed Pursuant to I.C. 8-1-19.5-12) October 18, 2005

The Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission recognized Indiana 211 Partnership, Inc. (IN211) as the proper administrator for the 211 dialing code through an interim order on February 20, 2002, and through a final order on June 17, 2004. The implementation of the 211 dialing code by IN211 provides Hoosiers a single contact telephone number to access a variety of human services.

IN211 is in the process of implementing 211 service statewide. As of September 2005, 211 service is available by wireline telephones in 39 Indiana counties, or to 52% of Hoosiers, and statewide on wireless telephones. A report on IN211's activities was submitted to the Commission on April 15, 2005 and is available at <http://www.in211.org/images/04-2005repot.pdf>.

In 2004 the Indiana General Assembly enacted P.L. 60-1004 (HEA 1344), which concerned various matters related to 211 services in Indiana and is codified under I.C. 8-1-19.5. Under I.C. 8-1-19.5-11, the Commission has responsibility for administering a "211 services account" established in the state general fund to make 211 services available throughout Indiana. Further, I.C. 8-1-19.5-12 requires the Commission to report annually to the General Assembly concerning that account.

As of June 30, 2005, the Commission has received no funds for deposit in the 211 services account and no funds have otherwise been deposited in it. Federal legislation, however, is pending currently and would provide federal funds that could be deposited in the account. IN211 reports that it has secured the matching funds that would be required should the pending federal legislation become enacted.

Because no money has been deposited in the 211 services account, the Commission has incurred no expenses in complying with I.C. 8-1-19.5-12 during the most recent state fiscal year. The projected budget required by the Commission to comply with this chapter during the current state fiscal year is \$0, but that amount would change if funds were deposited in the account.